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Party Smart program being considered

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

Weekends can be something students look forward to after a long and stressful week of school, but for some, it brings more bad than good. Often, parties are broken up and issued noise violations; leaving many students broke and frustrated. The relationship between Salisbury University students and the Salisbury Police Department

has been troubled for quite some time and is not likely to improve unless something changes.

The University and the city of Salisbury are currently considering a new program called Party Smart that will hopefully reduce the number of noise violations issued to students. Recommended by Salisbury Mayor Jim Ireton, the program would give students living off campus the opportunity to register their party with the po-

lice and reduce the likelihood of receiving fines.

The Party Smart program allows students to be proactive when throwing a party because the host is given a verbal warning before the police will show up. If a noise complaint is called in, the registered party host will be contacted by phone and will be given 20 minutes to break up or calm down the festivities. This also gives students the chance to avoid a criminal

record as well as punishments from the University. However, if a second noise complaint is received, a police officer will be sent to the residence.

"I think everyone's going to really like the program," said Julia Glanz, SGA Vice President of External Affairs. "I would definitely register; I think it's a smart thing to do."

The program would be able to free the police from writing cita-

tions and allow them to focus on working with crime. The program will also help decrease the number of cases filed in court, saving both students and the city money.

"I think that this new program will definitely be well received by the students and the community," said senior Joe Stanton. "I would register my party and then at least you are guaranteed a warning before the cops are knocking at your

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Patrick Morris photo

On Wednesday, E.J. Dionne, who writes a column for *The Washington Post*, spoke about "The New Generation: How They Will Change American Politics" for PACE's 10th Anniversary.

Columnist E.J. Dionne discusses student civility

By Vanessa Junkin
Editor-in-Chief

On Wednesday, Washington Post columnist E.J. Dionne talked about "The New Generation: How They Will Change American Politics" to a standing-room-only crowd in the Great Hall of Holloway Hall.

He was the keynote speaker for the Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement's 10th anniversary celebration, which continues through the semester.

"His basic message was one of

hope and inspiration for young people to care about their communities and to be civically involved," said Ginie Lynch, managing director of PACE.

Dionne, an award-winning journalist, has also been involved with Meet The Press, This Week, National Public Radio and The New York Times. A senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, Dionne is also a Georgetown University professor.

In his speech, Dionne praised the younger generation by discussing its good qualities. With a

combination of various traits, Dionne said the younger generation is being called on to make an impact in the U.S.

"I think your generation is poised to become one of the great reforming generations in our country's history, if you decide to take that challenge," Dionne said.

Dionne said that in the past, reforming generations have been service-oriented, and this generation has been "exceptional" in regards to service.

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Ambassador Moustapha addresses U.S. and Syrian relations

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

Salisbury University has seen many authors, artists and other famous names on campus as part of a continuous effort to support diversity and provoke thought. On Tuesday, Sept. 15, the Ambassador Lecture Series did just that with its first lecture of the semester, given by His Excellency Dr. Imad Moustapha, the Syrian Ambassador to the United States.

Some students don't know much about Moustapha's Middle Eastern country or what relationship it has with the United States.

"I really am not sure where it is in proximity to other Middle Eastern countries or what our relationship with it is like, honestly," said student Meredith Thomas.

As the Dean of Faculty at the

University of Damascus and Secretary General of the Arab School for Science and Technology, Moustapha's background is in academics and he says he was chosen by his government to be the Ambassador.

He said the reason he was chosen is "Probably because I was very active in the so-called public diplomacy scene," he said.

Previously, Moustapha had been very active in writing on a variety of issues in scientific and technical papers at Damascus, which he is ashamed to admit he does not do anymore.

"Politics and culture is what I focused on: politics because it's my job and culture because it's what I love," he said.

There are many responsibilities entailed in being an Ambassador in

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Patrick Morris photo

His Excellency Dr. Imad Moustapha, Syrian Ambassador to the U.S., came to SU as part of the Ambassador Lecture Series.

Nursing department awarded grant for hospital partnerships

By Laura Dignan
News Editor

The Maryland Higher Education Commission has awarded Salisbury University's Nursing Department with a three-year grant of \$635,601.

"It is a thrill and a huge responsibility," said Lisa Seldomridge, chair of the nursing department. "I am honored that the SU Nursing Department has been entrusted with such a large amount of money to implement this partnership. It's also exciting to be trying something completely new that hasn't been tried in this area."

The money was provided from MHEC's Nurse Support Program and will be put towards establishing partnerships with local hospitals Peninsula Regional Medical Center and Atlantic General.

Seldomridge, who is also the

program's director, said experienced nurses from each hospital will become teachers for SU nursing students during the fall and spring semesters while keeping their full-time status at their respective hospitals during holiday breaks, winter and summer semesters.

The grant will pay for the clinical faculty's salaries during their time at the University and once the three years have passed, the hospitals and SU will continue to fund the new vacancies.

SU alumni Rebecca Skorobatsch ('05) from PRMC and Julie Long ('94) from AG have been selected for the two open jobs during the first year of the grant.

A third position will become available for PRMC during the grant's second year.

"To facilitate their development as teachers, each new hospital clinical faculty is assigned

an SU mentor — an experienced full-time nursing faculty to help guide them, answer questions, and provide constructive feedback," Seldomridge said.

The nurses filling these positions will also be provided with nine credits worth of tuition assistance from SU for graduate studies per semester.

"I think it is a win-win situation any way you look at it," Seldomridge said.

The nursing program at SU is the fourth largest major with roughly 175 students enrolled and another 300 taking prerequisite courses. Seldomridge hopes the grant and the new partnerships will increase interest in the field.

"With additional expert teachers, SU can admit more students to the program, helping with the national shortage of registered nurses," she said.

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H1N1 strikes SU

The Flyer Staff Report

Salisbury University has received confirmation of two student cases of H1N1 influenza. As has been typical of H1N1 across the country, symptoms in both cases were relatively mild and were resolved within three to four days. The students are doing well and have resumed normal activities. SU is closely monitoring the development of the H1N1 vaccine and clinics will be scheduled as the vaccine becomes available.

Student Health Services is continuing to culture students who meet the Centers for Disease Control's criteria for influenza-like illness. Updates regarding H1N1 at SU will be provided on a regular basis on the University's

Emergency Preparedness Web site (www.salisbury.edu/emergency). Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to follow safety precautions and use preventive measures found on the Web site. The University has created a Campus Health Alert Hotline where callers also may access information regarding H1N1 and seasonal flu. The number for the hotline is 410-543-7995.

"It is important for students, faculty and staff to understand the difference between the 'true' flu and other respiratory illnesses, like the common cold," said Jennifer Berkman, Director of Student Health Services. "The hallmark of the flu is a fever of 100 degrees or more, along with cough and/or sore throat."

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Briefly Stated

Marine Corps to visit SU
On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Wednesday, Sept. 30, and Thursday, Nov. 12, Captain Jeff Potter of the Marine Corps will be visiting SU to recruit individuals for the Corps' Platoon Leaders Class (PLC), a six to 10-week summer training program for those interested in becoming a Marine Officer. Full-time students who are American citizens and found to be medically and physically fit may be eligible to participate in the PLC program.

Recording Studio Experience
Starting Sept. 30, the Recording Studio Experience will host recording sessions 4-11 p.m. in TETC. Sessions will be held every Wednesday through Dec. 2, with the exception of Nov. 25. It is open to all SU students, faculty and staff who wish to record their band or group in order to gain experience in a professional recording environment. An interest form must be filled out and can be obtained at the equipment check out booth in the hallway of the studio. Availability is on a first-come, first-served basis.


SU Rescue Squad Interest Meeting
On Tuesday Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. in Henson Hall Room 101, an interest meeting for the new SU Rescue Squad will be held for those who are already certified EMT's or are interested in becoming an EMT. You can become a founding member and provide emergency medical services to the SU campus.

Chamber Orchestra Kremlin visits SU
The Chamber Orchestra Kremlin will be performing Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m. in the Holloway Hall Auditorium. The concert includes Gioacchino Rossini's Sonata for Strings, selections from Prokofiev's Visions Fugitives and Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings. Sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs, admission is free and the public is invited.

Belly Dancing Workshops
Expert Valerie Hue will host belly dancing workshops every Monday from Sept. 28-Oct. 19 in Caruthers Hall Auditorium at 5 p.m. Hue is part of the Damani Dance Company, a nine-member group formed to help preserve the Egyptian Cabaret style of belly dancing through educational performances. Sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs, the workshops are free and no prior experience is necessary. Exercise or belly dancing clothing is recommended.

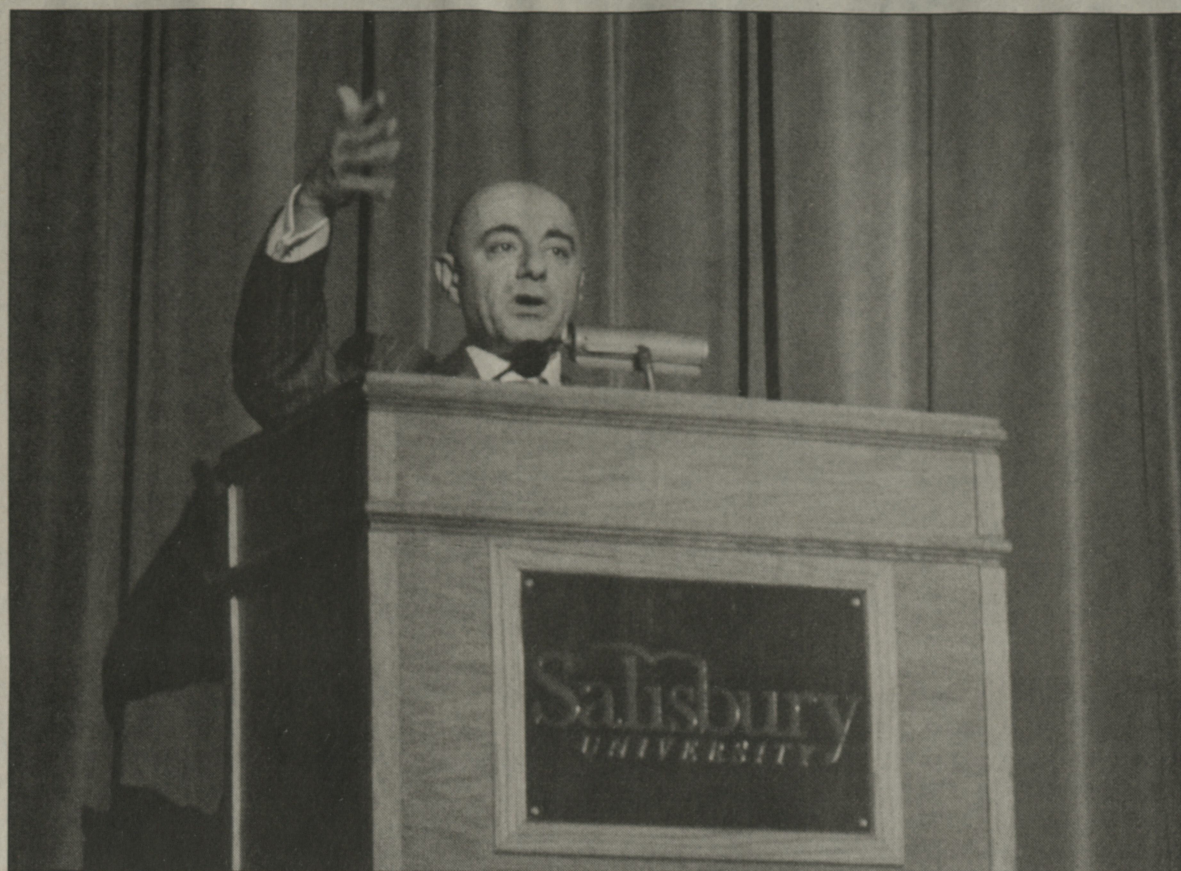
Free Tutoring Services
The Center for Student Achievement has free tutoring services available Monday-Friday in Guerrieri University Center Room 213 for courses such as Anatomy & Physiology, Nutrition, Biology and other sciences. Visit www.salisbury.edu/achievement for exact times.

Pickering Creek Volunteer Opportunity
There is a National Public Lands Day — Work Day on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon. Volunteers eat at the Welcome Center. No registration required. Help is also needed for the Harvest Hoedown on Sunday, Oct. 11. Pickering Creek Audubon Center, 11450 Audubon Lane in Easton, does community-based conservation of natural resources through environmental education and outreach on the Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake Bay. Call 410.822.4903.



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Dr. Moustapha addresses SU community



Patrick Morris photo

As part of the Ambassador Lecture Series, His Excellency Dr. Imaad Moustapha came and discussed issues facing Syria and Syria's relationship with the United States, among other issues. After his speech, Moustapha answered questions from the audience — including some from the crowd's dissenters.

Health Professions Advising Program provides opportunities for students

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

With the competitive nature of today's job market, it takes more than just good grades to stand out in the "real world." Employers are looking for experienced and well-rounded individuals, and students need to make sure they are different from the rest of the pack.

With this in mind, the Henson Health Professions Advising Program is offering students the opportunity to work on skills such as resumé writing and interviewing. Students also can receive hands-on experience that could be put on their resumé.

HPAP offers students the opportunity to participate in group advising, recruiter visits and mock interviews.

"These speakers really want to come [to SU]," said Diane Davis, director of HPAP. "They are interested in getting the best and the brightest."

This program is open to all students with health care-related majors who are interested in learning about and applying to health profession medical schools. It also offers students academic support through tutoring and advising, giving them the

tools they need to succeed. "One reason I took this job was because I am just as concerned with those who aren't good candidates as I am with those who are," Davis said. "There are a lot of options out there [in the medical field] that people just don't know about."

The Health Professions Advisory Committee, consisting of faculty advisors for pre-med students, works with HPAP to ensure the success of the participants.

The advisors meet with students to discuss academic planning, health career goals and plans for the following semester. Sections are issued to each graduating class and are catered to their specific needs.

Freshmen and sophomore sessions are geared towards learning about the possibilities available and what their best career choice may be.

Once at the junior and senior level, participants are given specialized guidance pertaining to their particular major and how to prepare for medical school.

"I am going to participate in this program," said senior Breanne Forrest. "I plan on applying to medical school to pursue research and this will definitely give



Julianne Waxman photo
Diane Davis, director of HPAP, discussed the program's benefits.

me an advantage over other applicants."

HPAP held a semester kickoff on Wednesday, Sept. 16, giving students an overview of the program and information on how to get involved.

Any pre-health students interested in participating in the program should send their name, ID number, e-mail and field of study to HPAP@salisbury.edu or visit www.salisbury.edu/henson/hpap for more information.

Professors research sorghum and its potential as a fuel source

By Rosemary McCann
Staff Writer

The sorghum plant has been used primarily as fodder for animals and as a secondary food source for humans. Recently, its potential as an ethanol fuel source is being investigated. Ethanol is a renewable fuel source produced when bacteria break down carbohydrate sugars in plants such as corn and sugar cane. Sorghum's chemical composition indicates that it could be another source for ethanol fuel.

This fall, Drs. Samuel Geleta and Christopher Briand of Salisbury University's biological department will be collaborating with other project researchers on a series of trials evaluating the potential of a sorghum stock or supply grown and produced locally in Delmarva. Their field work is being con-

ducted at a nearby Wicomico farm.

The idea for this research first came from Dr. Jeff Benner, a Salisbury local who is incredibly interested in the possibilities of alternate energy sources. In order to establish sorghum's viability as a potential Delmarva crop, he approached SU and collaboration began. The association led to the establishment of the Delmarva Sweet Sorghum for Ethanol group that included local farmers, researchers and business entrepreneurs. The research project, launched by Briand and Geleta, will evaluate the feasibility of growing several strains of sweet sorghum in the area.

"Presently, several of the sweet sorghum varieties being investigated are grown very well while few show poor performance," Geleta said. "This year, the unusually wet season has helped some of

the varieties to grow as high as 12 feet."

The unusual weather is good for the crop, but not mandatory. Sorghum's attraction as an alternate fuel crop stems from its lower demands of fertilization and irrigation than corn, the current primary plant used in ethanol. It is also easier to ferment sorghum. Over the next two or three years of the study, other weather patterns' impact on the crop will also be tested.

Local farmers and alternative energy businesses are waiting expectantly for the results of the study. They anticipate an increased demand for ethanol in the near future and want to introduce the potential profitable crop to Delmarva. In several years they will have their results, thanks to the initiative of Dr. Jeff Benner and the hard work and study of SU's own Drs. Geleta and Briand.

Nursing

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This grant is not a first from the MHEC to SU's nursing department. Two years ago, Drs. Karin Johnson and Susan Battistoni's proposal to provide web-

based courses to full-time working nurses who wished to further their education was fulfilled.

Furthering the success of SU's nursing department, students who took the National Council Licensure Examination

(NCLEX) during the 2008-2009 year had the highest pass rate of all baccalaureate programs in Maryland for the second academic year in a row with 96.05 percent of students passing on their first try.

Crime Beat

09/16/09
12:05 p.m.-12:35 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unsecured and unattended bicycle from a bicycle rack near the Commons building.

09/14/09-09/15/09
12 p.m.-7 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unattended bicycle from a bicycle rack near the Holloway Hall secret garden.

09/14/09
8 p.m.-8:55 p.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
A complainant reported that his vehicle was maliciously damaged while it was parked and unattended in the Devilbiss Parking Lot.

09/14/09
3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Theft

Two students reported the theft of property from a varsity locker room in Maggs. The incident is under investigation.

09/11/09
7:21 p.m.

Theft

A student reported the theft of her cellular telephone from Maggs. A University Police officer subsequently recovered the telephone from another student. The case is still under investigation.

09/10/09-09/11/09
11 p.m.-9 a.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
A complainant reported that someone damaged his automobile while it was parked and unattended in the Dogwood "Lot D" parking lot.

09/10/09
2:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

Theft

Two victims reported the theft of property from a varsity locker room in Maggs.

Ambassador

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Washington D.C.

"You need to interact with the state department, both congressional houses, speak at universities," Moustapha said of the job he calls "heavy-duty."

At the forefront of the issues facing Syria are the Arab/Israeli conflict and the American presence in Iraq.

"We believe it's paramount to our interests to address these two conflicts," Moustapha said. "If both are peacefully resolved, it will allow Syria to focus on its own domestic issues, including developing the economy, creating a universal healthcare system, and creating jobs for the new generation of young Syrians."

The audience reacted with great interest to Moustapha's description of Syria's relationship with the U.S. and prompted many questions. Moustapha furthered the point that his job encompasses "explaining who we are, what we stand for, and working with the U.S. administration and the public closely."

Explaining to the American public where Syria stands is Moustapha's chief priority, and one of these tasks is debunking myths surrounding his country that he says permeate America's opinions.

"Many people in the U.S. have negative impressions of Syria; they probably don't know that contrary to the perception, Syria has been advocating peace with Israel for the past 20 years," Moustapha said.

Still, the subject of one day achieving peace weighs on his mind the most.

"If [the students] were to leave this campus convinced that they should fully support a vigorous and proactive role in making peace in the Middle East, that would be one of my best days," Moustapha said.

Frontier organization discusses ecosystem conservation and public outreach opportunities

By Ross Rinehart
Staff Writer

Representatives from Frontier met with students and faculty Thursday, Sept. 17 in the Career Services office and in Henson Hall to discuss various volunteer programs.

Tan Taylor, the sales and marketing manager of Frontier, said the organization is devoted to environmental protection and the development of rural communities in East Africa, Southeast Asia, Central America and the Pacific. The non-profit, non-governmental organization is able to apply its surplus revenue directly to multiple programs located in each of these regions.

"They're nonprofit so they live for the work. It's not about making money," said Dr. Becky Emery, director of Salisbury University Career Services.

Taylor said without government funding or association, Frontier operates under its own policy and agenda.

"If we want to change the rules in our system we basically just have to

ask our [managing director] who is right next door," Taylor said. "We don't have to go through legislation so we can design and orchestrate it to best fit us and fit the volunteers."

The organization is flexible. "The program is very accommodating to you," said SU student Sam White. "You can choose when you want to go, how long, and from an array of places."

The wide range of volunteer programs support the NGO's commitment to ecosystem conservation and public outreach. Volunteers may apply for partner projects as well as group projects, which are more specified for those interested in biology and environmental science.

Partner projects focus on building sustainable livelihoods through education and other community development programs. Helpers in the teaching program provide an invaluable service, training locals in HIV/AIDS prevention, English and other foreign languages, agricultural techniques, athletic activities, and more.

"These sorts of projects are really, really rewarding. You might find yourself teaching neglected children or children with hearing and learning difficulties," said Frontier employee Rebecca Taylor.

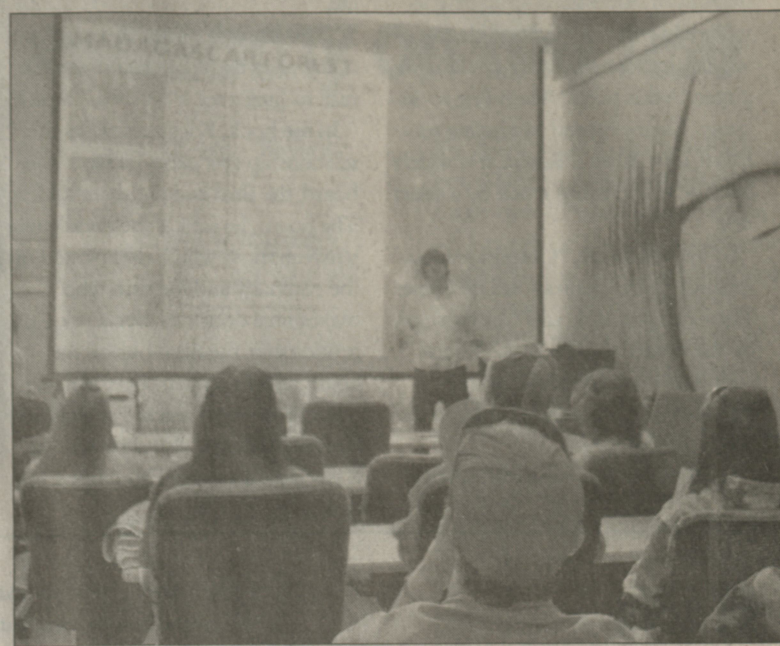
Taylor said group projects seek to protect biodiversity and ecosystems around the world by doing extensive research. The NGO has discovered a new species of toad and found several other species once thought to be extinct. Frontier has also been able to apply its research to practical projects like the creation of the Tanzania Marine Park.

"That was a massive achievement. It took about 13 years of research," Taylor said.

Volunteers are exposed to many different environments, from heavy forest to expansive ocean. Taylor was able to swim with whale sharks during his group project.

"That was incredible. You swear it looks at you and sees straight through into your soul," he said.

Emery said the overall experience can count towards college credits and



Sean Adkins photo

Representatives from Frontier talked about opportunities for students to volunteer with their non-governmental organization on Thursday.

serves as an excellent resource for the job application process.

"It makes you stand out on your resumé," Emery said. "If I know you can go to Tanzania and I have a trip

to London, I know you're going to be able to handle that."

To find out more about Frontier, visit the organization's Web site at <http://frontier.ac.uk>.

Dionne

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"If you take that commitment to service and harness it to a larger movement to change our nation and change our world, you will do marvelous things," he said.

People of today's generation, he said, have taken on the task of reforming this nation with the common good in mind.

He also noted Robert Kennedy's advice that people can start change just by doing something small.

Dionne said with a majority of younger voters choosing Obama in the 2008 election, this generation is very progressive overall, in contrast to older generations.

However, he said young conserva-

tives can make a difference in addition to the young liberals.

Dr. Adam Hoffman, Co-Director of PACE, noted that Dionne hopes to bridge the gap between Republicans and Democrats instead of keeping the two parties separate.

One reason Dionne was invited to speak at SU was because of his book, "Why Americans Hate Politics," which helped founders Dr. Francis Kane and Dr. Harry Basehart make the decision to create PACE as a non-partisan institute.

Dionne is a liberal, Hoffman explained, but he was able to answer various questions from both political sides after his speech.

Hoffman noted that even if

students don't get engaged, they should at least be informed, because political knowledge can lead to solving the country's problems.

"In order for our democratic system to function properly, people have to be involved," he said.

SU senior and PACE assistant Amy Hafez said despite the apathetic stigma sometimes attached to college students, SU students are interested in politics. She added that this has become more apparent during last year's Obama campaign.

"I think that this year especially, we've really begun to show other people that we do care and that we are taking the initiative to change at least what we can do now in our position," Hafez said.

Party

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door." Some students, however, worry that by registering their party, it is guaranteed that the police will show up.

"I would be skeptical registering a party with the school because I think [the police] would just drive by anyway and I also wouldn't want to get in trouble with the school," said senior Kim Leffler.

The school is taking this under consideration and if the program goes into effect, SU will work in conjunction with the Salisbury Police to ensure that the program is fair for all.

"I will do my best to make sure that doesn't happen. We're not a

giving [the police] a list of parties for them to just come by," Glanz said.

She added that the program has been successful at Colorado State University.

If the program takes effect at Salisbury, students who register their parties would be given a party pack with items such as trash bags, coasters and a t-shirt as well as information on partying responsibly. There will also be a water bottle for a sober host.

Glanz said students will also be able to give their neighbors contact information in order to build relationships in the community.

No final decisions have been made, Glanz said, but the pilot program will hopefully be up and running next spring.

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Dr. Roche authors book about business

By Meredith Meads
Staff Writer

With the economy in turmoil and millions of Americans struggling to make ends meet, many find themselves wondering how we could have gotten to this point. According to Assistant Managing and Marketing professor Dr. Oliver P. Roche, it is widely because of decisions made by a select few.

In his new book, "Corporate Governance and Organization Life Cycle: The Changing Role and Composition of the Board of Directors," Roche addresses the role that a few key members of a corporation play in the way a company runs.

Cambria Press, a company devoted

to academic research, published the book after six years of exploration by Roche. The book is based on the thesis he submitted to obtain his doctorate.

"This book is a relief. After so many years of research and work, it is nice to finally see it finished," he said.

In the book, Roche discusses the relationship that exists between the board, the firm and the shareholders. The board, he says, is the middleman between those who have invested in the company and the firm who makes final decisions. Because of this relationship, the decisions of the board affect company performance.

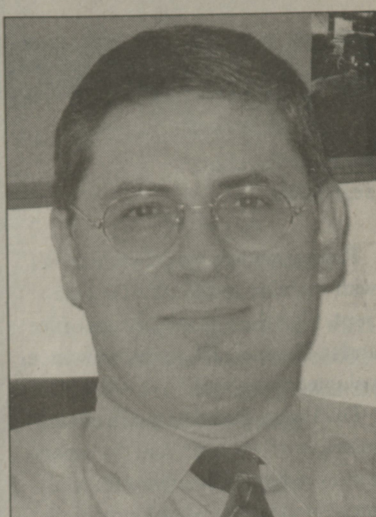
Roche not only teaches at Salisbury University, but he also serves as the Associate Academic Director of corporate governance at McGill University in Montreal, Canada. The university hosts seminars each year for business leaders and CEOs. Roche used this opportunity to speak with all types of people in the business world.

"We are talking about some of the busiest people in the world here," Roche said. "Most of them just do not have the time to sit and talk to someone about their experiences in corporate governance. I was able to use my experience in the business world to talk to them, whereas someone who is new to the field may not have had that opportunity."

Before receiving his doctorate and becoming a professor, Roche worked in the world of business as an investment banker as well as for the World Bank in both Washington D.C. and Tokyo. Roche addresses in his book the current issue of corporate governance's role in today's economy and the way businesses operate.

While the book is about the business world, Roche, who was admitted to the bar of New York, admits that the content focuses more so on the legal side of business than the numbers.

"I interviewed more than 40 CEOs for the book to hear what they had to say about the topic. If you can get their time, you see that they all have stories to tell. This book is about the human side of business and what can be improved on in that area of it," he said.



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Dr. Oliver P. Roche

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Without a fever, individuals should know they do not have the flu.

The symptoms of H1N1 flu are similar to the symptoms of seasonal flu. In addition to fever, symptoms may include sore throat, cough, stuffy nose, chills, headache and body aches, and fatigue. Some people have reported diarrhea and vomiting associated with H1N1 flu. Symptoms usually have a rapid onset.

The infectious period is one day before the beginning of illness to seven days after the onset. As with seasonal flu, those with underlying chronic medical conditions, pregnant women, or younger and older age groups may be more seriously affected.

The treatment for seasonal and H1N1 flu are the same. People with flu-like illnesses are advised to stay away from classes and limit interactions with other people for at least 24 hours after no longer having a fever without fever-reducing medications.

Most individuals will not need to access medical care unless complications arise or severe symptoms surface. The more the ill person isolates themselves, the more effective the campus will be in reducing the number of people affected. For this reason and the high demand for services for very ill students, Student Health Services will

not be issuing medical excuses for classes.

Seasonal flu vaccine clinics will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 23 and Friday, Sept. 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Links of the Commons. Vaccines will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. Students, faculty, staff, spouses and partners are eligible to receive the seasonal vaccine. Vaccines will cost \$15.00 which can be paid by cash, check or Gull Card. Students under age 18 should obtain a parental consent form prior to Sept. 23 from Student Health Services.

Other ways to prevent the spread of seasonal flu or H1N1 include covering your coughs and sneezes with a tissue and discarding immediately, washing hands frequently, and keeping surfaces like doorknobs clean.

People with flu sometimes develop other infections such as pneumonia, bronchitis, sinusitis or ear infection. Students should seek medical care if they experience difficulty breathing or shortness of breath; pain or pressure in the chest or abdomen; sudden dizziness; confusion; severe facial pain or swelling; or severe or persistent vomiting or flu-like symptoms that improve but then return with a fever and worse cough.

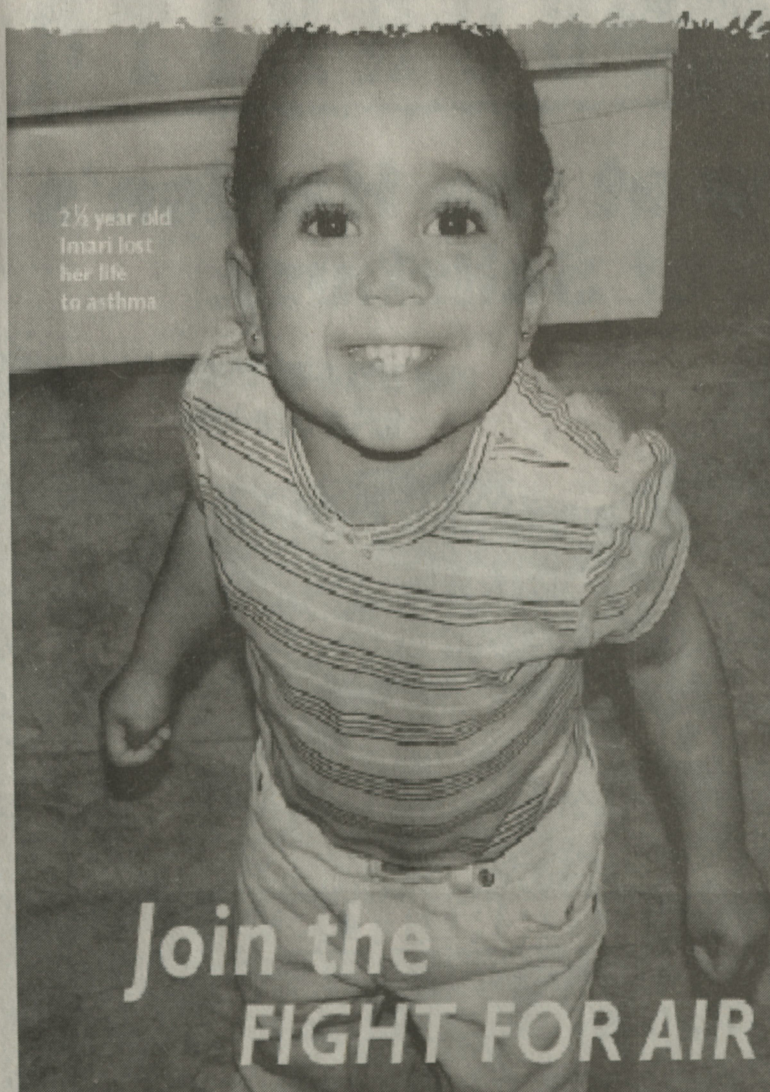
While often the solution is just self-isolation, Student Health Services suggests seeking medical help if there are severe symptoms.

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No peace for West Bank yet

By Daniel McElwain
Staff Writer

The United States' envoy to the Middle East has returned from the region without any major success concerning the glaring and longstanding issues of a Palestinian peace deal nor any promises of halting continued settlement into the West Bank by the Israeli government.

Special envoy George Mitchell met with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas several times over the last week to resolve the long-standing issues between the two leaders, but he was unable to accomplish any accord. Several issues confound the matter, including issues agreed upon in previous negotiations, such as the borders of Israel and the status of Jerusalem.

The Palestinians are not settling for any middle ground on the issue of settlement freezes in East Jerusalem and the West Bank, which is regarded as a central pillar to any peace agreement. The Palestinians want a removal



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In this picture from late August, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and U.S. Special Envoy George Mitchell shake hands.

of the 300,000 settlers in the regions and for Israel to halt construction in historically Arab sections of East Jerusalem. Israel has objected to the call for a settlement freeze, arguing that Jerusalem is Israel's capital city and must remain undivided and that Jews must be allowed to build wherever they wish.

The United States and Palestinians have pushed for an eventual withdrawal of Israeli settlers as a serious and key part of peace for the region, as the settlements are on land that the Palestinians claim for their future state. Netanyahu has declined to do any such thing, saying that he would only be willing to reduce or slow building.

The issue of peace and settle-

ment is a raging controversy within the state of Israel itself as well. The Israeli left wing has disapproved of Netanyahu's provocation on the eve of peace talks while the right has disapproved of him for even thinking to reduce or restrict settlement. Netanyahu is walking a tightrope as he attempts to appease all sides, but cracks are starting to show. While approving limited increased construction and promising halts he is alienating all sides of his coalition government which have begun to actively criticize the prime minister.

However the ongoing derailment does not mean that some sort of deal will come about. Some predict a deal with the UN.

Bernanke announces economy on the rise

By James Asuquo-Brown
Staff Writer

This past week, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke declared the recession is "very likely over," but the job market is likely to remain weak for some time. The worst U.S. recession since the 1930s has subsided, while also stating that growth likely will not be strong enough to rapidly decrease the 26-year high unemployment rate of 9.7 percent. Bernanke states, "It's still going to feel like a very weak economy for some time, as many people will still find that their job security and their employment status is not what they wish it was."

Fielding questions after a speech at the Brookings Institution, his remarks are the most explicit statements since the downturn began in December 2007. It gives credence to the notion that the economy had bottomed out during the summer and is now rising again.

Numerous sources believe the nation's overall output is increasing, and have been spurred on by what they say is the potential growth at 3 percent annually of

the GDP from July to September. Most economists seem to think that the National Bureau of Economic Research will eventually declare this downturn over by the early fall of 2009.

"Unless the economy grows, you know, significantly faster than its longer-term growth rate, it'll be relatively slow in creating jobs over and above those needed to employ people coming into the labor force," Bernanke said. "Therefore, the unemployment rate would tend to come down quite slowly."

The chairman reiterated his support for financial regulatory measures will be passed by Congress. "My sense is that while maybe the focus on regulatory reform in Congress has not yet been as intense as I expect it will be because of other things that Congress has been concerned with, I feel quite confident that a comprehensive reform will be forthcoming," the Fed chief said.

In August, President Obama announced that he would reappoint Bernanke to a second four-year term, pending Senate confirmation. Bernanke's current term expires on Jan. 31.

German military troops to withdraw from Afghanistan

By James Asuquo-Brown
Staff Writer

German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier, who also happens to be challenging Angela Merkel as chancellor of Germany in elections next month, has said he wants a timetable for a military withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Steinmeier's announcement is a move that could win him votes in the upcoming Sept. 27 elections where he is the Social Democratic Party's candidate against incumbent German Chancellor Angela Merkel of the conservative Christian Democrats.

"We need to agree with the new Afghan president... how long international troops should remain in Afghanistan," he said at an election event in Dortmund. Despite the issue being on the back burner in the run-up to Ger-

many's September elections, polls show about 60 percent of voters would like the six-year-old NATO mission to end and their 4,200 German troops returned home.

The ruling coalition last October consented to extend a parliamentary mandate for participation in the NATO mission by 14 months instead of the standard 12 in the hopes of preventing any debate over the deployment coloring the election race.

Recent surges in violence in Afghanistan has prompted well known political voices in Germany, including former defense minister Volker Rühle from Merkel's party, to press the government for a withdrawal plan.

Current German Defense Minister Franz Josef Jung, a party ally of Merkel's, stated that he expected German troops to stay in Afghanistan for another five to 10

years and dismissed calls for troop cuts once the Afghan election was over.

In addition, Angela Merkel touched on the issue of an early German withdrawal from Afghanistan herself.

"In association with our partners, we want to hammer out a strategy allowing for the transfer of responsibility to Afghanistan over five years," Merkel said in an interview published in the Sueddeutsche Zeitung newspaper.

There are 4,200 German troops under NATO command in Afghanistan. The country has had a military presence there since 2001.

The German military in Afghanistan has recently received criticism for the decision of one of its officers to order an airstrike on two hijacked oil tankers, resulting in the deaths of around 70 civilians.

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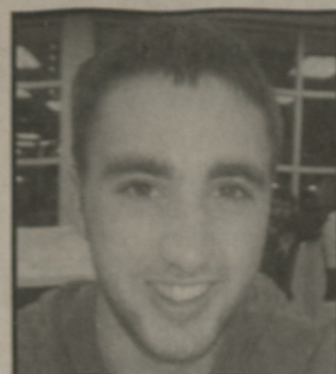
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Overheard: What do you think of Kanye after his remarks to Taylor Swift?

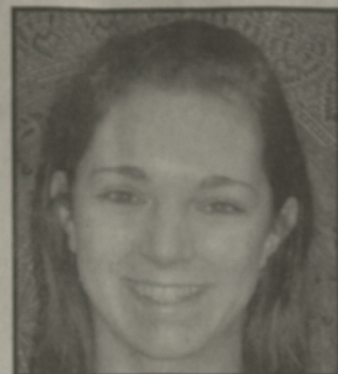
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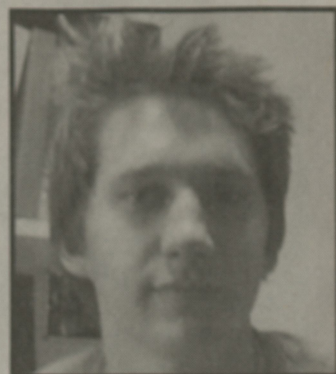
"I don't think it's fair for someone to protest a decision in that fashion. He ruined her moment and she now feels like she doesn't deserve it."
-Chris Becker
Sophomore



"I think Kanye must be really, really mean to hurt someone as sweet as Taylor Swift."
-Juliana Humphreys
Junior



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-Kristie Bon
Junior



"Kanye is a complete jerk. He has too much of an attitude."
-Phil Smith
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-Shawn Phillip
Junior

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The Sept. 12 protest in Washington, D.C. involved thousands who are against the Obama administration and Congress.

Irrational comments not based on facts

By Jeremy Riffle
Staff Writer

Politics and punditry are not usually known for reasonable thought, especially when emotions run high. The most recent example of this was the Sept. 12 protest in Washington, D.C. Some 70,000 angry people gathered on the Mall, expressing their dissatisfaction with the Obama administration and Congress. While the protest was peaceful, there were some signs that not all was as it should be. Among the many views presented by the individuals in the crowd included were claims that the president is consciously trying to destroy America, that he is akin to Hitler and that he is actually the Antichrist.

This is not to say that dissent is wrong or unpatriotic. To the contrary, I believe that questioning those in power and holding them accountable is the truest definition of American patriotism, but only when based in rationality. Arguments that go against facts or reason, such as the claims that the president is not an American or that he is a fascist, not only reflect badly on those who promote and support them, but also degrade the character of our national political discourse. Such arguments propagate a poisonous rage, based not upon the perceived unsoundness

of a proposed policy, but upon revision toward our government itself because of who is in power. As a result, the conversation shifts. No longer are questions of policy entertained, but instead shouts and slogans denigrating elected officials and groups of people.

Today, for many, questions of crafting policy are moot, because this country is apparently enduring a (take your pick: Marxist, socialist, fascist, Islamic or some combination thereof) coup from within the government. Statements about how "this is a critical battle for the heart and soul of America, and for freedom itself," according to a Republican senator, do not help restore rationality to the debate, but add to feelings of unease. So, instead of debating issues, those would-be patriots strap hand-guns to their thighs, wear shirts with the Thomas Jefferson quote, "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants," and carry signs that say "Oust the Marxist usurper!... Honduras did it!" and "We came unarmed... this time!"

Such antics may make good TV, but they are hardly constructive for both the country and for those who are opposed to the president's policies. It would be better to have some rationality in the discourse instead.

Pleading the fifth for Sotomayor

By Robert Forrester
Staff Writer

Like most editorials, this is primarily a complaint, though not against the appointment of Sotomayor herself, but rather against the coverage of her appointment. Incredibly intelligent, she was a great choice for the Court. Sotomayor rose from a lower socio-economic status in the Bronx and graduated from Princeton and Yale, a few few others can claim. She then made herself distinguished enough to reach the federal district, then circuit courts. Her accomplishments made her the frontrunner in a quite small field of candidates for Justice Souter's seat.

However, last spring, shortly after her appointment by Obama, it was not these achievements that were discussed. On NPR's Diane Ream Show, Sotomayor's *summa cum laude* graduation from Princeton was overlooked in favor of discussion of her race and gender. Republican opponents, rather than discuss her stance on controversial issues like the Second Amendment, decided to debate the meaning of the word "empathy." The best that Newsweek managed to do (so far as questioning her judicial

record) was a piece by economics correspondent George Will who claimed that her 1994 decision ending the Major League Baseball strike did not have any actual effect.

Is this really the best our country and media can do? What of her stance on late-term abortion issues? What does Sotomayor think regarding faith-based humanitarian initiatives receiving federal funding? To this day, despite active searching, I can't, for the life of me, find out what she thinks about recent expansion of the powers of eminent domain. It is almost as though our country is actively not caring about her lifetime appointment to the highest court in the land.

Sotomayor has been deemed a good choice for the Supreme Court by the merit of her intelligence. Appointed by an exceedingly popular president and quickly confirmed by a healthy majority in the Senate, Sotomayor had almost nothing preventing her appointment. She won the prestigious Pyne Prize at Princeton and later became editor of the Yale Law Review. That she is smart is not in question by anyone. She had the sense to remain silent, lest she incriminate herself.

Unemployment: Worse than during Depression?

By Adam Messick
Staff Writer

Against an expected 225,000 job losses for the month of August only 216,000 jobs were officially lost, pushing the unemployment rate to an eerie 9.7 percent. Wall Street, desperately searching for any signs of recovery, could hardly contain its exuberance, pushing the Dow Jones up over 100 points.

Government officials have since declared the recession over. And technically, when measured by

forthcoming gross domestic product numbers, it may very well be true. But those officials have to their credit—warned that, although technically the recession is moderating, the economy will continue to see the unemployment rate increase. Forgetting the guarantee that passing the stimulus package would keep unemployment below 8 percent, what does the unemployment picture really look like?

If the unemployment rate is truly over the government's purported 9.7 percent, what is the true rate?

According to official U-3 rate, "discouraged" workers, that is, those that are available to work, want to work, but have since "given up" looking for jobs in the last four weeks, are not counted in the labor force. Intuitively, most individuals know that if a mother lost her job, even if she could not find one in four weeks, has not stopped, but simply "given up."

Why is she not reported as unemployed?

Furthermore, the current U-3 statistic doesn't account for individuals that are working part time but would rather work full time. Basically, a recently laid off engineer working at Wendy's is not counted as unemployed. But logically, those individuals are at least underemployed, reflecting a diminished ability to influence the economy by either increased savings or consumption.

If there is a truer rate of unemployment it is reflected in the U-6 statistic. It counts all marginally-attached workers and the total employed part time for economic reasons and it is currently at a staggering 16.8 percent. Against a unemployment rate of 15.9 percent in 1931—two years into the Great Depression—the current U-6 statistic is a more reasonable measure of unemployment. Even Fed official Dennis Lockhart echoed these very concerns that if unemployment was counted as it was during the Great Depression it would be reflected in the U-6 statistic.

Our economic situation is very precarious indeed and given an unprecedented amount of government intervention into the economy not seen since FDR's actions during the Great Depression, we are in uncharted waters. Let's just hope our current captains are not leading us to the same fate as the Titanic.

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Graduate school is a good bet in a tough economy

By Kyra Milbourne
Staff Writer

Whether or not to attend graduate school has been an emerging thought in the back of many students' minds. Especially now when as undergrads we are faced with an economy in a recession.

Every day, we, as students, hear about jobs putting freezes on hiring, furloughs going into effect,

workers being forced into early retirement, and people coming out of retirement in order to afford all they have.

With all this going on, undergraduates are forced with the decision of whether to join this shaky workforce or to go on to pursue a graduate degree.

Either way, it's a decision that has to be made. Graduate school seems like the easy way out. You're able to

explore your subject of interest more, gain additional knowledge, and hopefully land a good job, whereas joining the work force right after college allows you to start making money and gain experience.

Most undergrads have considered going to grad school right after graduation, seeing it as the easy way out, a way to stretch college life just a little longer and prolong

getting out into the real world. I myself have considered grad school, and even took tours.

When it came to the issue of price I had to think, "Can I afford this? Is it worth me being in debt?"

According to a poll, the average master's graduate owes between \$30,000 and \$50,000 in college loans. Don't get worried just yet and write off graduate school completely. There are programs that as-

sist in paying tuition and providing enough income to afford housing and food; they're called RA and TA positions. All universities offer this program, but spots are very limited and usually on a first-come, first-served basis.

But, as they say, where there's a will there's a way. So don't stop. Continue to get those good grades, and at any and every opportunity to get more experience in your

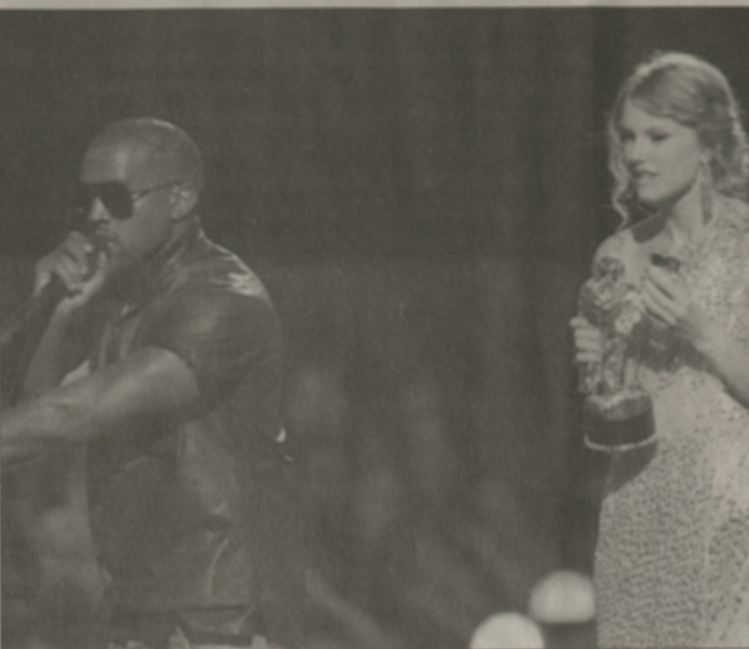
Kanye versus public opinion

By Bethany Jeffries
Staff Writer

Kanye West's now infamous interruption of Taylor Swift at the Video Music Awards may be his rudest move yet. By stumbling to the front, uninvited, and tearing away the microphone from the public's choice, he certainly sent a message to America along the lines of: I am better than you, and I know exactly what's right. He didn't care that Taylor Swift is one of the genuine celebrities—after the ceremony, she repeatedly toned down the event, even after being badgered by the media.

In my mind, there was no doubt that alcohol was involved, and it was beyond foolish for the child to get up in front of his colleagues and business associates to proclaim his true colors.

A man would not have gotten onto that stage and taken the glory from a teenage girl. A man



Kevin Mazur/WireImage.com photo

Kanye didn't agree with the public's choice for Best Female Video and interrupted Taylor Swift at the Video Music Awards.

would have quietly congratulated her afterwards, or clapped from his seat.

The fact that he couldn't stand by while "his" choice for Best Female Video was cast aside shows America that this rap performer believes himself to be above the rest of us. And is this true? He certainly has the money and ability to believe himself above us, but morals and maturity cannot be bought and paid for; they are learned.

He is the type of role model we want our youth watching and emulating, someone who possesses an infinite ego and a lack of compassion and empathy? If

someone had done the same thing to this rapper, there would have been hell to pay. Simply put, the "child" would have lost it.

How, then, can he justify his own actions? He has apologized through his blog and through Jay Leno's show, but even if he apologizes after the fact, and takes a break from the music industry, he has still shown himself to be a true jackass.

A better point of that incident was seeing Beyoncé Knowles give her time to Taylor Swift, a truly sweet gesture that resonated with many of the VMA viewers' opinions. At least while there is brash rudeness, there is also goodness.

Teaching and truthfulness not hand-in-hand

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Thomas Sowell said, "Too much of what is called 'education' is little more than an expensive isolation from reality." This is oftentimes the case at many public schools, even universities. When certain topics are either kept from students, or not presented in their entirety, reality is ignored. Global warming, environmentalism or the "climate debate" are good examples where students receive limited information. The fact that these

topics carry political weight and implications is perhaps the reason. The scientists who study our climate are not in unified opinion on the severity and even existence of manmade global warming.

Recently, scientists from MIT and other institutions have found the premise of anthropogenic global warming to be entirely flawed. Richard Lindzen from MIT has now published peer reviewed (and approved) work that confirms this.

Here are the facts: The World Meteorological Organization has

confirmed the ozone hole is shrinking, and smaller than last year.

Since 1980, the temperature has risen, at the rate of 1.5 degrees Celsius, per century. Evidence now suggests the planet is in a cooling trend, with carbon dioxide escaping the atmosphere at an amazing pace. Arctic sea ice is at the same levels as ten years ago, with the Antarctic ice shelf at a record high. Hurricane and cyclone activity is at the lowest levels since satellite measurement began. The world's oceans have been

cooling. Finally, Richard Lindzen and others have determined carbon dioxide has little to no effect on the climate. This confirmed data is hardly the picture that many of us have received during the course of our education.

The IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) and the United Nations have been parading "data" and graphs that have been overstated by six times. Unfortunately, the House of Representatives has passed the "Cap and Trade Bill" which is based on this erroneous information from the

IPCC and the UN. The Treasury Department has determined the bill will cost the average American family \$1,761 a year and the country 200 billion dollars annually. Congress burdening hardworking middleclass families with taxes based on a false premise... surprise!

At an institution where parents or the students are paying educators to teach, the confirmation of what exists is crucial. A posh seclusion from reality carries many costs, and students deserve to be presented with the facts.

New York uses ads to act on obesity issues

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Today, no matter what type of substance goes into your body, it is deemed to be bad for your physical health. Scientists and nutritionists are always discovering new health factors from a variety of different foods and beverages.

New York state has decided to go to the extreme and discourage people from drinking soda with an ad campaign. The ad campaign shows a hand pouring soda into a glass with the words "Are you pouring on the pounds?" However, the soda falling from the bottle is really globs of human fat. At the bottom of the ad the words "Don't drink yourself fat" appear.

Clearly New York City public health officials have taken the issue of obesity to the extreme. In total, the ad campaign cost \$277,000 and will run on 1,500 subway cars. City officials are hoping to educate the populace about how bad soda and sugary, high calorie substances can be.

Many people feel the ad will scare citizens and they will begin to take their physical activity and exercise more seriously. Others believe the ad will have no impact and will not educate citizens on how to eat healthier.

Both New York Mayor Michael

Bloomberg and President Obama have talked about adding a national tax on sugary beverages but are not ready to make the final commitment. Both of these men are powerful contributors to the cause of fighting obesity in America.

The rate of obesity keeps rising among adults and, more recently, children. Children not only eat what their parents buy, but also do not exercise after school. Many come home and play video games or watch television. America is slowly becoming more engrossed with the media and less involved with interaction.

Other countries refer to the United States as being fat and spoiled. What kind of reputation is that? Many of us are fit and take care of our bodies but there are those who drink soda constantly and eat until they are too full to move. These are the type of people that the soda tax would help. However, adding a tax on soda could make a huge change or no change at all. Soda is soda and people love it—they will still continue to buy it.

No matter what the case may be, the ad on soda is circulating around New York and city health officials are hoping people will begin to cut back on sugary beverages, especially soda. This could be the beginning to an important health era.

Letter to the Editor

Re: "Fox not as 'fair and balanced' as they claim"

I would like to write a letter as a response to Brian Lomax's article in the September 15 issue — "Fox: not as 'fair and balanced' as they claim." The article discusses how Fox chose not to air President Obama's address to a joint congress and the American people.

This speech was an attempt to clear up and answer ongoing questions about health-care and the proposed reform. This is not the first time Fox has chosen not to cancel their regularly scheduled program. Fox chose to part ways with airing Mr. Obama's speeches back in April and again in July. However, to call Fox not fair and balanced for this is quite a bold statement and one that maybe should be looked at.

In February, Fox moved "American Idol" to accommodate for one of Mr. Obama's speeches. They reported a 6 million dollar loss. Fox tends to be the least viewed broadcaster when it comes to airing live news events.

The speeches however, were aired in their entirety on Fox News Channel as well as Fox Business Network. There have been controversies with all the major news stations about Mr. Obama's speeches. They have ranged from the frequency of them and also the time slots.

In April, AP writer David Bauder wrote that Mr. Obama's television schedule, which included three news conferences in three

months, "has caused some private grumbling among network executives. Carrying a news conference costs the four broadcast networks and an estimated \$10 million-plus in lost advertising revenue."

So when you say it is "more than fair, however, to question how Fox can justify showing reality television over a major speech by the President" one must ask oneself, is it really?

This is not a political move by Fox; if it were, it would not have been aired on the two sister channels. The Fox network is not designed to be a political or news channel, that is what Fox News is for.

As for Fox being in the corner with the Republican Party, that is a completely different debate. There is no doubt that Fox News expresses conservative views, however, Fox network also chose not to air a speech by George W. Bush in November 2001.

The real problem is with the news stations, whether it is Fox, CNN or MSNBC. The reporters are no longer getting the right facts and reporting them as they should be. The stations all push their agendas and leave Americans wondering what the truth is. It is important that our wonderful Flyer does not succumb to this misfortune as well.

Jonathan Krah
Senior



Michael Perry photo

Salisbury resident Patti Seward peruses a local vendor's unique jewelry during Downtown Salisbury's 3rd Friday event on Sept. 18.

3rd Friday draws crowds to Downtown Salisbury

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

Many Salisbury University students are unfamiliar with Downtown Salisbury, spending the majority of their time in the areas closest to campus.

However, Downtown Salisbury offers so much more to students than they may realize.

Conveniently located on Main Street (across Mill Street from Brew River and mere steps away from the Marker Street Inn), Downtown Salisbury boasts a variety of family-run stores and businesses, art exhibits, cafés and bars, and much more.

From the ashes of other Salis-

bury arts ventures, 3rd Friday emerges as the Downtown's monthly social event.

With the smell of barbecue in the air, and balloons complementing the "Open" signs humbly plastered on businesses' doors, the 3rd Friday event welcomed students, locals and visitors.

3rd Fridays are organized to showcase and promote the downtown arts and entertainment scene, as well as the locally-owned businesses that inhabit the historical Downtown district.

"None of it is chain-anything; it's all independent business owners offering something unique to visitors," said volunteer organizer

Jordan Riviello.

Such businesses include Flavors Italian Grill, the Uptown Chef, Amber Nicole Bridal, the Velvet Pearl boutique, Chesapeake East, Parker Place, Sushi de Kanpai and many more.

In addition to local business promotions, the 3rd Friday events are characterized by local musicians, vendors and artists.

Brother and sister duo Alex and Shiloh Wersen lured the crowd with their acoustic covers of popular music.

Meanwhile, SU students played African drums for their MUSC 216 class. SU sophomore Nate Williams expressed his surprise about the look and feel of Down-

town Salisbury.

"It looks a lot safer and has a vintage build. It's laid out almost like downtown [Washington D.C.] but more homey," said Williams, one of the African drums performers.

Steve Jeffries, a parent visiting his daughter, was drawn in by the music on his way to dinner with his family.

"I'm glad students can come out and spread campus to the off campus community. It's definitely more of a festival and off to a good start," Jeffries said.

With each passing month, 3rd Friday sees a bigger turnout and public officials are taking notice. The governor, Senator Mikulski and Salisbury Mayor Jim Ireton were all in attendance.

"[It] is full of music, specials, and entertainment. There are people coming in all day and a lot of them," said Anne Taylor, Parker Place Gardens store proprietor. Parker Place Gardens had a 20 percent off special for the event and hosted a tribal belly dancing group.

Although many of the musicians perform at once, they are staggered every few blocks and their sounds remain distinct and separate, accommodating a wide range of musical preferences.

The next 3rd Friday coincides with the 123rd anniversary of the Great Salisbury Fire of 1886 and November's event will accompany the annual Tree-Lighting Ceremony in front of the Government Office Building.

3rd Friday organizers hope that they can keep the momentum going in the coming colder months.

"We are hoping that some business owners will donate their spaces for the event so we can take all the fun indoors and not lose the support we've been

building," said Riviello.

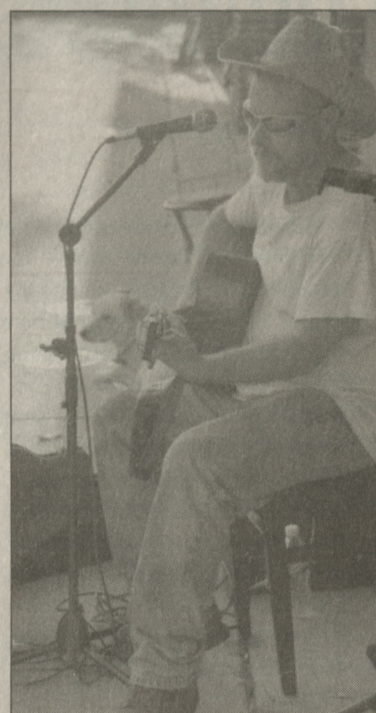
Riviello stressed how important it is to get student and visitor involvement in the Downtown arts and business scene.

"Salisbury could be that hip, cool town that people want to visit instead of just the cross-roads to the beach. There are a lot of talented, local artists and musicians and adding SU students the mix would benefit both groups," said Riviello.

"There is more to Salisbury than the Monkey Barrel," she added.

3rd Friday is looking to expand with more vendors, artists and performers and visitors.

For more information about performing or visiting 3rd Friday events, contact the Velvet Pearl's Katie Wolfe at (410) 572-5885.



Michael Perry photo

Trappe resident Carter Grant entertains his audience with original songs and Bob Dylan covers.



Lorie Liebbig photo

Catharsis Productions performers Annie Nix and John Mallory present an irreverent and humorous approach about sexual stereotypes and issues.

SOAP sends sex signals

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, SOAP hosted Sex Signals a performance by Catharsis Productions. This irreverent lecture series required audience interaction in a wide variety of topics relating to sex.

Some topics of discussion included pick up lines used on the opposite sex, the differences between how guys and girls show they are interested, how body language signals translate, and some of the stereotypes and double standards within our society.

Christian Murphy, the artistic director and founder of Catharsis Productions, and actress and rape prevention advocate Gail Stern, created Sex Signals in 2000. The goal of this program was to educate college and military audiences on the issue of date rape in a humorous way.

"We wanted to engage in a much more effective way in 'keeping it real' and candid by talking about [sex] in a way that didn't seem as frightening," Murphy said. The purpose was to show that men and women think differently when it comes to relationships and sex.

While girls may think of studying as time enclosed in their books, boys may think of studying as an opportunity for something else. The most important issue was the notion of sexual consent.

Guys often do not ask a girl for permission to have sex. But some girls never voice their opinion to begin with.

"We wanted people to understand the importance of consent and how one is clear when consent is present," Stern said.

Sex Signals represents the voice of all those who have ever felt

forced into sexual interaction or were just not ready and did not know how to end the situation.

During each act, if the audience felt uncomfortable with how the scene was going, they held up their "STOP!" card.

However, the performers did not always see the cards being raised. This showed how those who do not speak up are often ignored.

Sex Signals has visited 450 schools as well as military institutions on their mission to educate people about date rape and sexual consent.

Christie Stone, the lecture chair for SOAP, found Sex Signals to be a great way for students to become more aware about sex.

"They have a lot of energy, and present a great message. Students respond well to comedy instead of just hearing a lecture," Stone said.

By Etienne Zantop
Staff Writer

Back by popular demand, the American Spiritual Ensemble is performing at Asbury United Methodist Church on Saturday, Sept. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Students who attend can look forward to a moving experience with great music at an economical price, and support their peers.

The American Spiritual Ensemble is a group of professional soloists founded in 1995 by Dr. Everett McConvey. They sing renditions of black folk songs in the style of Broadway, jazz, classical, and dance. The songs were originally sung by slaves on the plantations that provided a spiritual outlet for the weary.

"We had a rock-star like status and following, with overflowing crowds

clade "Wade in the Water" and "Battle of Jericho," along with the group's signature "Walk Together Children." The audience can also expect a few songs from their new Christmas CD like "Mary Had a Baby" and "Round the Glory Manger."

The American Spiritual Ensemble has sung at various opera houses and theatres around the world such as the Metropolitan Opera House, Spain, Italy, Japan, South America and many more.

Last time the ensemble was here they sang to a sold-out show and a standing ovation. According to Professor John Wesley Wright from the music department at Salisbury University, the group had an overwhelming turnout in Europe.

"We had a rock-star like status and following, with overflowing crowds

lined up outside concert halls and cheering audiences that knew all the words to the spirituals," Wright said. Wright has been an occasional tenor performer with The American Spiritual Ensemble since January 2006.

Because their songs contain universal messages of sufferings and witnessing pain and joy, Wright noted that the concerts are a transforming experience for the singers as well as the audiences who come to see the performances.

A welcome addition, SU students will join the Ensemble for the Saturday performance.

Admission is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and SU faculty with ID, \$5 for SU and non-SU students with ID. To reserve tickets, call the Department of Music at 410-548-2985 or Asbury United Methodist Church at 410-749-2131.



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The American Spiritual Ensemble will perform at Asbury United Methodist Church Sept. 26. They also performed in Salisbury last year.

Weekly Greek News

Sarah Benton is Greek of the Month

By Amanda Kimmish
Staff Writer

Alpha Sigma Tau's Sarah Benson has been chosen to be Greek of the Month for September. Benson is a junior and is the recruitment chair of Alpha Sigma Tau. She is also in charge of setting up and supervising all of the recruiting activities for Alpha Sigma Tau.

"I like being involved and going through the process of recruitment. It's cool to meet and get to know all the girls," Benson said. Benson previously was the assistant recruitment chair when sister Emily Roach was recruitment chair.

Graduate Assistant for Greek Life Lindsey Van Couteren said that sororities nominate someone from their chapter for Greek of the Month, and Panhellenic votes on who will take the honor.

Alpha Sigma Tau's recruitment week kicked off this past Saturday with a recruitment barbecue. The theme for this semester is Pretty in

Pink. Gorgeous in Green and Glamorous in Gold. September 22 and 23 are informal recruitment nights while preference and bid night is designated for September 24. Alpha Sigma Tau's recruiting has been known for always introducing new ideas but keeping with tradition as well.

"Sarah always represents the ideas that Alpha Sigma Tau tries to uphold and really keeps everyone close knit," said Jenny Beer, a sister of Alpha Sigma Tau.

A total of 18 seniors graduated from Salisbury last year who were a part of Alpha Sigma Tau, and they are hoping to fill the spots through recruitment this semester. Alpha Sigma Tau prides itself for promoting the ethical, cultural, and social development of its members.

"I never thought I'd join a sorority, but I came out for Alpha Sigma Tau because the girls are such a positive influence. We can all be really open with one another," said Courtney Donnelly, president assistant of Alpha Sigma Tau.

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Senior Amy Hafez enjoys cake at the reception for Ambassador Moustapha.



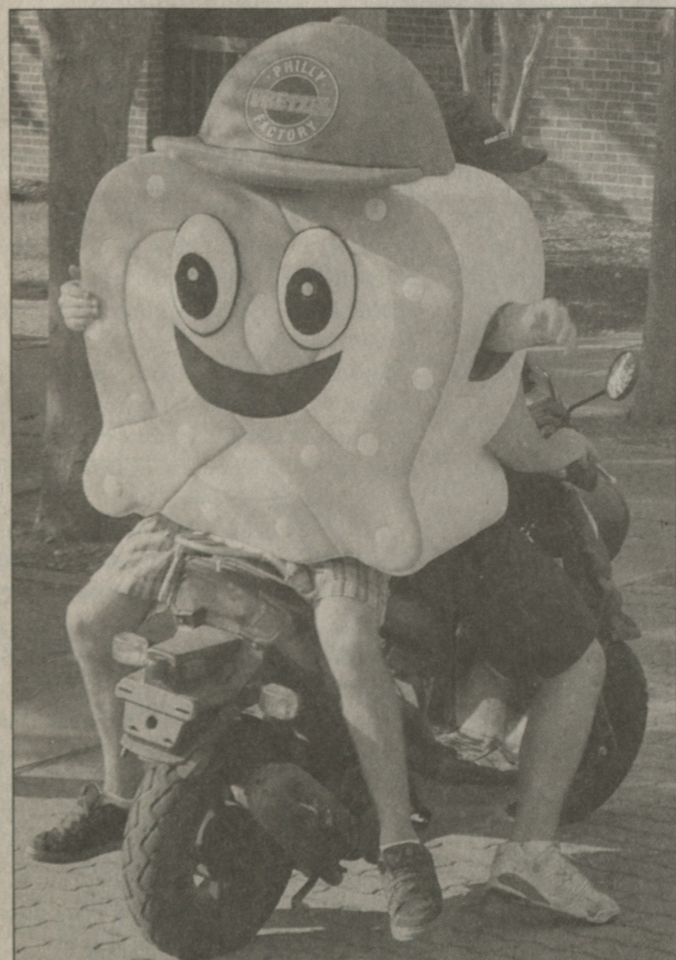
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In Wednesday's soccer game, senior forward Christina Eury goes up against her Rowan opponent in a fight for the ball. After a double overtime, the game ended in a 0-0 tie, bringing the Sea Gulls' record to 3-1-2 (1-0 CAC).



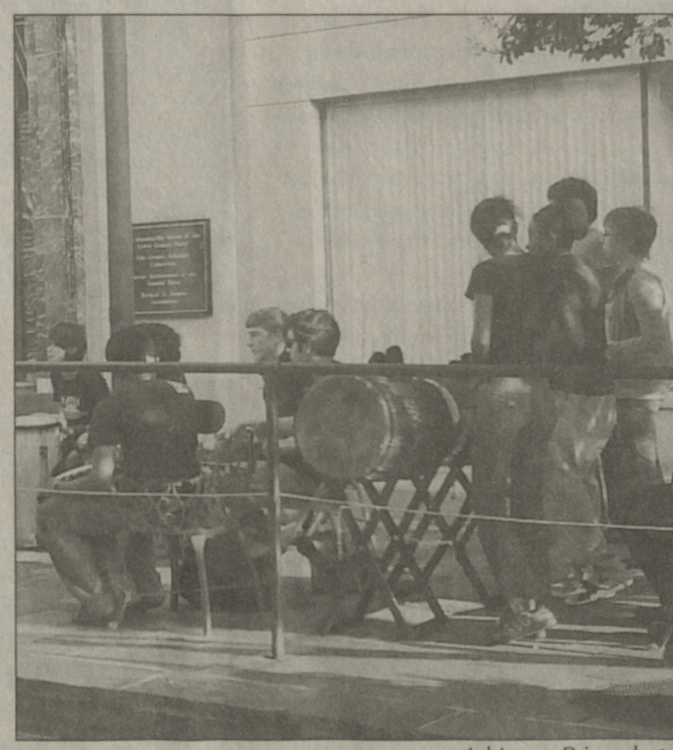
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At the philosophy debate, Dr. Clement and Dr. Hatley had a showdown about whether eating meat is a good moral choice.



Kelly Robinson photo

The Philly Pretzel Factory mascot takes a ride around the SU campus, giving out coupons to students.



Adrienne Price photo

A MUSC 216 class from SU plays drums at the 3rd Friday festival in downtown Salisbury on Sept. 18.



Adrienne Price photo

Brett Sanders takes advantage of a quiet study spot in the Guerrieri University Center's Fireside Lounge.

What's Cooking?

Recipes for a tight budget

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

Weekend morning trips to Farmer's Markets for the ardent home-cook are like weekend trips to the zoo or the playground for young children. It is at these local Farmer's Markets where one can meet the farmers who have labored to cultivate and harvest the food bought and sold.

These local producers have a certain brio with relation to their product, often accompanied with their recommendations for dishes or preferred preparation techniques. For the seasoned home-cook, the Farmer's Market offers a passé-partout to the highest quality local, seasonal ingredients, which both challenge and inspire the cook to attempt new or alternative preparations and dishes.

A majority of the recipes featured

in "What's Cooking?" strive to be seasonal, and can be made with locally produced ingredients. Local produce not only tastes better, but it is often cheaper and purchases support local farmers and the local economy.

In season now are tomatoes, a variety of winter squash, a variety of salad greens, herbs, pumpkins, apples, green beans, collards and kale, cabbage, brussel sprouts, eggplant, bell peppers, hot peppers, red potatoes, sweet potatoes and carrots (and maybe even more).

For this week's recipe I set out to make a "less-eggy" version of a frittata. In many ways a frittata is similar to a Spanish tortilla in that it is mostly egg, with some vegetable added, and cooked in a sauté pan like a large thick omelet. You don't fold a frittata though, nor stuff it full of cheese; although it can, and often does include a small portion

of cheese mixed in.

I prepped my (local) veggies, started the sauté pan, cooked the veggies and added the egg. When it came time to try to flip the frittata I decided I had more veggies than my egg could handle. Faced with this dilemma, and with the addition of some lime juice and cumin, my frittata became fajitas. Corn tortillas, some red cabbage for texture and a bit of feta cheese finish this dish well.



Michael Piorunski photo

Anytime Fajitas with Egg and Roasted Potatoes

½ Onion (red or yellow), sliced
½ Medium sized tomato, diced
1-2 Jalapeño peppers (more or less depending on taste)
1 Clove garlic, minced
2 Eggs (or tofu)
4-5 Medium-small red potatoes, chopped
Juice of 1 lime
2-3 Tablespoons olive oil
1-teaspoon cumin
Salt and pepper
1 cup red cabbage, sliced thin
1-2 oz crumbled feta
Corn tortillas

Method:

Wash and chop potatoes; slice them in half, then into sixths. Place potatoes into small pot, cover with water, add a pinch of salt and boil for 3 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold

water. Toss with olive oil (1T), half of the lime juice and a pinch of salt and pepper, wrap potatoes in aluminum foil (like a pouch) and bake in a 375°F oven for 15 minutes. In medium sauté pan heat remaining olive oil over medium high heat; when hot, add onion, jalapeño, salt, pepper and garlic.

After a minute add lime juice and cumin; toss veggies to be sure they all get a little seasoning. Let cook, tossing occasionally until onions begin to become tender (about four minutes), and then add eggs (you can beat them in the pan or in a bowl beforehand). Let cook until egg is no longer runny, mixing everything together to prevent burning or sticking (add a bit of water and/or reduce heat if things get a bit dry). In a separate pan, or on the back of a baking sheet in the oven, heat the corn tortillas for two minutes on each side. Build fajitas with veggies/ egg mix, cabbage, feta and maybe some plain yogurt.

The Moore Method makes students more engaged

By Eric Buratty
Life & Style Editor

While most students at Salisbury University are familiar with lectures saturated by listening and observation, students in Dr. Lee May's math classes are familiar with the Moore Method. Dr. May adapts the Moore Method from 20th Century mathematician R.L. Moore to emphasize the common goal of advancing knowledge.

Students who aspire to have a mutual student-instructor relationship with full class participation will find the Moore Method to be very effective. Dr. May uses the Moore Method because he enjoys seeing students think for themselves.

"I try to present my students

with opportunities that will further develop their skills at formulating and testing conjectures, solving problems, and thinking critically and analytically. I embrace the opportunity to learn to know, appreciate and understand my students better," Dr. May said.

Dr. May earned his Ph.D. at Emory University where he first discovered the Moore Method. He co-authored "The Moore Method: A Pathway to Learner-Centered Instruction" with Dr. Ed Parker, Dr. Charles Coppin, and lead author Dr. Ted Mahavir. Published in July 2009 by the Mathematical Association of America, professors and students now have a reference for this mutual teaching method.

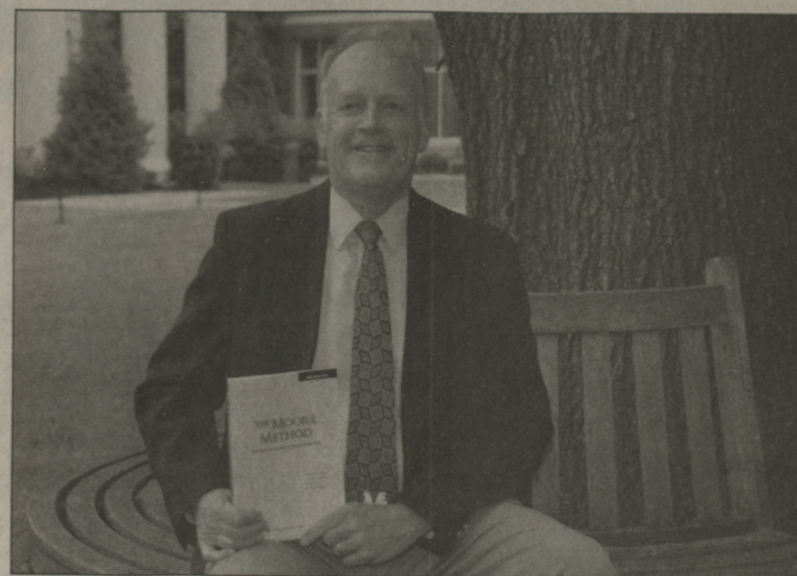
According to Dr. May, the Moore Method was and still is one of the

best teaching methods. It allows him to go beyond just lecturing to student observers.

"The Moore Method, as I practice it, is a style of teaching that places the student, the subject, and their interaction at the center of the learning experience. It is the best way to make students into doers rather than just observers," Dr. May said.

Dr. May does not totally exclude lecture. But a typical class involves students presenting their solutions to problems or theorems on the board, while Dr. May moderates discussions for any flaws.

"I maintain a diary of the proceedings of every day's class. Included in the diary are comments on the progress of each student," Dr. May said.



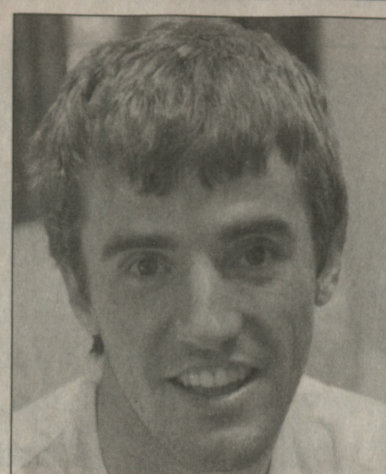
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Dr. May is a co-author of *The Moore Method: A Pathway to Learner-Centered Instruction*. The Moore Method depends on student participation.

Ignoring the connotations that parents and children normally receive, the Moore Method forces Dr. May to be anything but condescending to his students. "I assume and execute the role of a good 'parent' toward my student 'child-

dren' as they learn to walk and talk mathematics with the Moore Method. What I take away from each teaching experience is satisfaction in having worked collaboratively with the leaders of tomorrow's society," Dr. May said.

SU alum will join Peace Corps



Patrick Morris photo
Zach Hogan

By Heather Comer
Staff Writer

Four months ago, Zachary Hogan, 23, graduated from Salisbury University. In two weeks, Hogan will head to the east coast of Africa as a volunteer for the Peace Corps. The Delmarva native will be overseas for 27 months.

"I like traveling. I was planning on traveling abroad for a year or so after graduation and then I found the Peace Corps," Hogan said.

While Tanzania is known for its gems, it is still considered a developing nation, and Hogan's role will be to teach secondary education math to the members of his host town, as well as HIV and AIDS awareness.

"We look for people with different types of skills from different types of backgrounds. Our volunteers often undertake secondary community projects if they are needed," said Peace Corps representative Stephen Chapman. In addition to teaching, Hogan could be helping to build a library, or dig a latrine.

Hogan will spend the first nine weeks in Tanzania familiarizing himself with the culture. He plans to take a challenging language course, so he can become

fluent in Swahili, the official language of Tanzania.

Before Hogan can start that leg of his journey, he will undergo an extensive physical where he will receive vaccinations for diseases such as Yellow Fever, which still plagues nations like Tanzania.

He will also take medications to help prevent the contraction of Malaria.

Hogan is no stranger to experiencing the trials of a developing nation, having recently spent time in Morocco, Indonesia, and Fiji.

"I've been to some poor countries, and I feel bad for the people when I'm there," Hogan said.

The 27-month commitment to the Peace Corps will be tough on his family. His mom admitted that she was battling with mixed emotions.

"I can't imagine not seeing and communicating with my son every day," Patti Hogan said.

Zach is confident that he will still be able to stay in touch with his family through and looks forward to the trip.

"I'm more excited than nervous. I'll have a special cell phone. And hopefully my town or the next town over will be large enough to have an internet café," Hogan said.

Unordinarily S(h)ane

A new semester,
a new beginning

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

We are already three weeks into a new semester and with this new semester lies a new beginning. So why does it seem we are stuck in the same place with the same mindset and the same people?

It is because we carry the same habits that previously cost us a letter grade, the same fear that kept us from being actively involved, and we are the same people with the same hidden agenda as previous years. When putting the cliché *the past repeats itself* into context, it would be foolish not to admit there is some truth behind it. So I wonder, *in time, do people change, or does time change while people remain static?*

I had a friend named David, who, after falling into a black hole of excessive partying and hanging with the wrong crowd, got a wake-up call. Though David was used to a group of "friends" less intimate with books and more intimate with bottles, his parents threatened not to pay for school after two class withdrawals and an academic probation. David could either walk the straight and narrow or not return to Salisbury.

Another friend, named Megan, was so comfortable with her life and "friends" that academics

took the backburner, and further education remained a curdling question.

I battled taking off more than I could chew. I would run around like a headless chicken, and end up with minimal contributions to my many assignments. I learned a magical word that is not always evil but a valuable tool: I discovered the word *no!*

My friends still experienced similar situations with similar people. Their activities consumed the same amount of time but still had different outcomes.

David decided to walk the line until an old habit and a new girlfriend provided a different path. Megan learned that letting things sit on the backburner really do leave a burning desire to know the *What If?* in life, and she was never one to live in regret. So Megan packed up and went to school.

In time anyone can change. That change is more or less a set of patterns that might help determine where you will end up. However, with the right support and more importantly, willpower, anything is possible.

It boils down to wanting change enough to make it in the end. This may mean sacrificing "friends" and breaking old habits.

If not, you might create a brand new recipe for disaster.

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"My friend suggested that I go on birth control in case someone spikes my drink, or takes advantage of me at a party. Is this a good idea, and would it help? How will I know what the effects will be?"

Before going on the pill, make sure you see a doctor, and ask any questions you have. You will find out that the pill does not protect you 100 percent, and it does not protect against sexually transmitted diseases. When attending parties, do not accept drinks from others, and keep an eye on your drink. If you set it down, get a new one. Also, make sure you go with a group of friends so you can look out for one another. It is usually best to assign one person from the group to remain sober the whole night, so you have a safe way home.

"Recently I have been feeling angry all the time, and I cannot spend long periods with my friends or family. I have been going only to my classes and then straight back to my room. My course load has really been stressing me out, and I cannot seem to handle all the pressure. My friends do not understand me when I try to talk to them about it. How can I handle my stress without ignoring my friends and family?"

When taking on a heavy course load during a semester, it is difficult not to get stressed. Talking to someone that may not be a parent or friend may help. Salisbury University offers student counseling services which provide professional assistance with your career, personal, and social development and also support your academic success. In counseling and psychotherapy, you learn about yourself, who you really are and where you are going with your life. You can also learn how to manage emotions, and how to resolve or cope with your stress. Counseling and therapy can help renew your outlook on learning and life. Services are free and they are confidential in accordance with the ethical guidelines of the American Psychological Association and state and federal laws—as stated on SU's Web site.

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SU's sports information department welcomes new season and new staff

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

SU has a new name on campus, and he has big shoes to fill. Tim Brennan joined the athletic staff on August 24, taking over veteran Sam Atkinson's role as Sports Information Director.

"Sam had really built this department up to one of the best in the country," Brennan said. "I'm just trying to pick up from where he left off."

The Sports Information department handles the publicity aspect of SU athletics. They oversee the Web site, keep statistics, and deal with the media for all 21 varsity sports.

"We are essentially the voice of athletics here," Brennan said. It is very important for the department to cover all 21 sports equally because they are all such great programs, said Lili Afkhami, Graduate Intern to Brennan. Their goal is to provide quality information so fans everywhere can follow the games.

Brennan graduated from the University of North Carolina at Char-

lotte in 2002 with a degree in Communications; his focus was Mass Media. He planned to enter the field of sports writing, and followed this goal all the way to The Daily Times of Salisbury, where he spent nearly five years writing for the sports section.

"Tim was the last surviving member of our sports department," said Joe Carmean, editor at The Daily Times. "We were worried that someone wouldn't be able to do his job."

They did fill his position, but Brennan's presence is surely missed.

"He was my good luck charm," said staff writer Sharahn Boykin, whose cubicle neighbored Brennan's.

Brennan had been keeping his eyes peeled for a position in sports information, and without hesitation, decided to leave the paper after hearing about the opening at Salisbury.

"It couldn't have been any better of a fit," Brennan said, having already worked hand-in-hand with SU athletics.

Brennan has already jumped right

in, covering all home games but one so far this year.

"I'm just trying to get my feet wet," he said.

Since his previous career was in newspapers, he brings a journalistic style to his work at SU while the previous director was more traditional, said Graduate Intern Jon Nolan, who also worked with Atkinson.

Brennan and his two graduate interns are all new to the field, but are learning from each other, Afkhami said. They work closely with coaches, teams, the athletic department, and other staff members who are more experienced. They have been incredibly understanding during the learning process, Brennan said. He also has a staff of five students who help the office keep up with everything that is thrown at them.

A major project he and the SU athletic staff are hoping to take on is getting more video footage on the Web site. Brennan has big plans for the upcoming year and is fully supported by his staff.

"He will really excel," Afkhami said.



Telecia Taylor photo
New Sports Information Director Tim Brennan (back left) is pictured with his two graduate interns, Jon Nolan and Lili Afkhami.

Volleyball sweeps Invitational four games to none; Downes MVP

By Therran Dennis
Staff Writer

Last week was a big week for the Salisbury University volleyball team as they improved to 12-1 (1-0) for the season.

The first big win of the week came on Wednesday, when the Sea Gulls defeated the York College Spartans 3-0. Junior outside hitter and Sea Gull of the Week Lexy Fitzkee led her team with six kills, five aces, and 10 digs. Junior outside hitter Melissa Siansbury also tallied 10 digs, and senior outside hitter Rachel Downes racked up nine kills and six digs. Senior libero Gabby Long added 11 digs and a kill in the Sea Gulls' victory.

In the first match of the SU Invitational on Friday evening, the Sea Gulls defeated Richard Stockton College 3-0. Senior outside hitter Rachel Downes led the team with eight kills and 16 digs while freshman middle hitter Chelsea Glowacki recorded eight kills and three blocks.

The second match of the day went down in similar fashion, as the Gulls defeated No. 22 Haverford College, 3-2. Downes proved to be clutch in a match where her team was down 8-2 early. After Salisbury evened the score to 12-12, the Fords racked

up five straight points to take the lead 20-19 before Downes tallied three consecutive kills to help her team win the match.

"When you beat a caliber team like Haverford, ranked in the country, not just ranked but a team with super ball control, it says a lot for our kids and how hard they have been working together as a team," said SU head coach Margie Knight.

Downes led the Sea Gulls with 20 kills and 12 digs. Long added 32 digs, three assists and a kill. Fitzkee added 15 digs, 11 kills, and led the team with two

aces.

In day two of the Invitational, the Sea Gulls defeated Allegheny College 3-1. Long led the maroon and gold with 27 digs. Senior middle hitter Nicole Massarelli racked up five blocks and 10 kills, and Downes added eight kills, eight digs, and an ace.

The Sea Gulls then defeated Baldwin-Wallace 34-32. Fitzkee led the Sea Gulls with 17 kills and 14 digs. Long added six assists, three aces and 22 digs. Todd added a team-high 28 assists and five digs. Downes was named the tournament's MVP.



Lindsay O'Neal photo
Volleyball swept the SU Invitational this past weekend, beating York, Richard Stockton, No. 22 Haverford and Baldwin-Wallace.

Are you ready for some football?

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

Back in 1989, Hank Williams Jr. wrote a song called "All My Rowdy Friends Are Coming Over Tonight." When ABC television executives needed a catchy title song for their Monday Night Football games, they asked Williams to revise his song into "All My Rowdy Friends Are Here on Monday Night." From this song the popular phrase "Are you ready for some football?" was born.

Today, professional football has become an obsession with the American public, especially among college students, and no games during the regular season are more watched than those on Monday night. Some will get together and watch the game at home, and others might go to a bar and watch the game on a big, high-definition television plas-

tered on the wall in front of them.

On Sept. 21, 1970, Monday Night Football premiered on the ABC television network. The first game was between the Cleveland Browns and the New York Giants. According to espn.go.com, "On any given Monday evening, more than 50 million Americans — at home, in bars, in restaurants and dorms — adjust their social and business schedules to view the telecast."

Monday Night Football quickly became a phenomenon with its outspoken announcers and improved coverage of each game. While Sunday games in the early 1970s used only four or five cameras to cover the action, Monday Night Football broadcast with nine cameras, including one sideline and two hand-held cameras.

Viewers tuned in each Monday night for a viewing experience. Announcers Howard Cosell, Al Michaels and Frank Gifford have

become household names. More recent announcers include the legendary John Madden who recently retired from football broadcasting at the age of 73. Now the popular faces are Mike Tirico and Ron Jaworski, who have been aided by several different sportscasters over the last few years. This season MNF will put a microphone in the hands of former head coach Jon Gruden.

The popularity of Monday Night Football grew with each telecast and moved to ESPN in 2006, ending a 36-year run on ABC during which 555 games were broadcast.

This week's Monday Night Football game is between the Indianapolis Colts and the Miami Dolphins at 8:30 p.m. on ESPN. On Sept. 28 the Carolina Panthers take on the Dallas Cowboys at the Cowboys' new stadium.

Are you ready for some foot-

Sea Gulls grounded after tough overtime loss to No. 1 Messiah

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

Sometimes, games between the top two ranked teams in the conference don't live up to the hype. Salisbury and Messiah made sure that was not the case on a beautiful Saturday afternoon, with the Falcons defeating SU three to two in an overtime thriller.

"I think we could have done a lot better," said senior forward Beverly Beladino. "We could have done better on the things that we had practiced."

The Sea Gulls had no reason to hang their heads, however, as both teams created a multitude of chances in the first half. A spectator who had never seen the Gulls play might have thought Beladino had a twin on the team, as she ran all over the field chasing the action.

Junior midfielder Kandice Hancock also played a big role in the game, putting constant pressure on the Fal-

cons' goalkeeper with shot after shot, but the Sea Gulls will rue these chances as missed opportunities as they could have easily had four or five goals had they converted in the way that they are capable.

"I think the effort was there," said Coach Dawn Chamberlain. "We were not as sharp as we were on Wednesday or Sunday and after playing six straight tough games, slip-ups happen."

Messiah drew first blood when Kourtney Ehly slotted home in the 51st minute to give the Falcons a 1-0 lead but the Gulls would equalize after Tara McGovern scored her second goal of the year.

There was a slight injury scare as Beladino was nearing the Messiah goal. She fell hard to the turf, and was down for a few moments; however, she did leave the field under her own power and returned to the game a few minutes later.

As the action began to pick up,

Messiah's leading scorer, Katie Love, put the Falcons ahead 2-1, but SU would not be denied. In the final seconds of the game, Salisbury won a penalty corner.

With the stadium in complete silence awaiting the outcome, sophomore Alison Bloodsworth pounced, letting a shot rip from the top of the arc that took a deflection off a Falcon defender, stunning Messiah and sending the team and the crowd into a state of euphoria.

This euphoria would be short-lived, however, as the overtime period began. Salisbury created a few chances, but the Falcons won when Julie Barton scored the game winner for Messiah.

"We have to improve," said senior forward Lauren Correll. "We need to work on consistency. We didn't show up, and this shows we should not be sleeping on anyone. I guess we got comfortable in our undefeated status. That's not good."



Dan Anderson photo
Junior midfielder Courtney Webster toes the sideline against No. 1 Messiah College on Saturday, Sept. 19. SU lost 3-2 in overtime.

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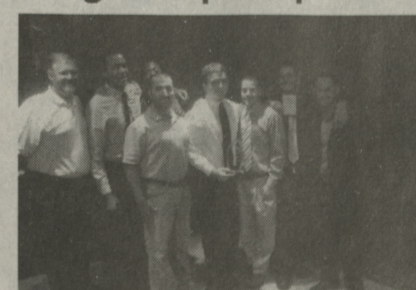
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Texas (No. 2)	25%
USC (No. 3)	37%
Alabama (No. 4)	0%
Penn St. (No. 5)	13%
No one will beat Florida	25%

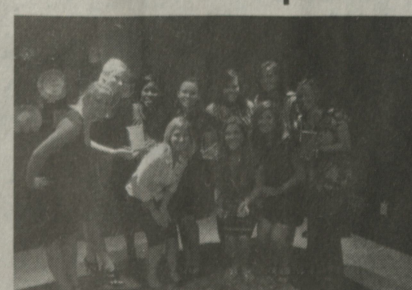
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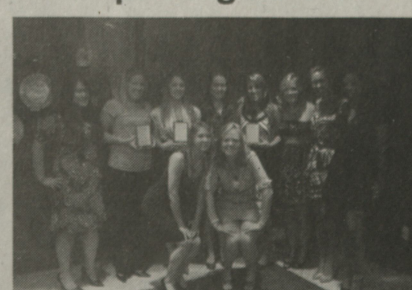


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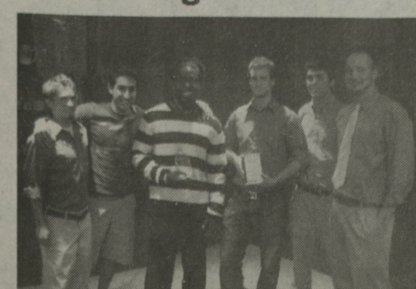


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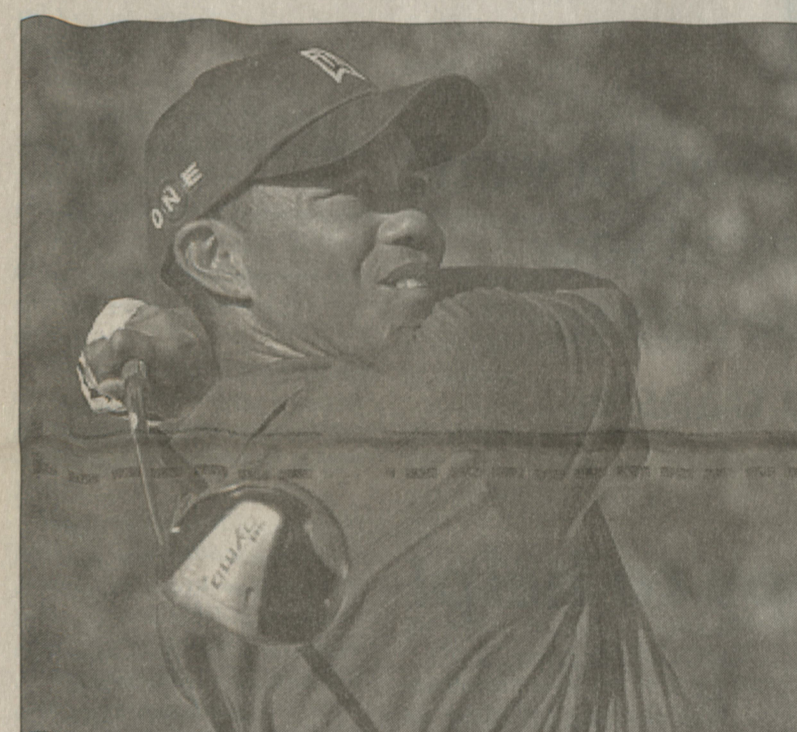
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The final FedEx Cup event, the Tour Championship, will be played Sept. 24 through 27. Tiger Woods is currently leading the FedEx Cup point standings after winning the BMW Championship by eight strokes.

Golf joins playoff system with the FedEx Cup

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

Most sports today have implemented some sort of playoff system. Golf is no exception and has recently introduced the FedEx Cup.

The FedEx Cup began in 2007 as a point system which gives players points based off of their finishes that season. The style of series resembles NASCAR's Sprint Cup, which has the same style of points rewarded all season long, crowning a winner at the end of the season.

Since its introduction, the PGA Tour has adjusted the rules around the FedEx Cup in each of the last two years to address issues that arose the previous year, particularly with the playoffs portion of the FedEx Cup.

One major change made it so that the championship would not be won until after the final playoff event. Previously, if a player had enough points before the season ended, then he would automatically win the Cup. Now, the playoff system allows players a better opportunity to win, not based solely on one round of play.

The regular season of the FedEx Cup lasts from January to the end of August, and for each event, depending on their finish, a player is awarded points. The number of points awarded for winning each

tournament ranges from 250 to 600, depending on the quality of the field for each event. The average tournament awards 500 points to the winner and fewer points to the rest of the finishers.

The goal is to be among the Top 125 points leaders, following the final event of the regular season. The top 125 players then enter a playoff system, where 2500 points are awarded for winning each playoff tournament, and are then added to players' totals for the regular season. After each event, the field is cut down from 125 to 100 to 70 and finally the last event takes the top 30. The player with the most points after the final event, The Tour Championship, will win the FedEx Cup and the purse of \$10 million.

The FedEx Cup has awarded two champions, Tiger Woods in 2007 and Vijay Singh in 2008.

With this year's FedEx Cup wrapping up, Tiger Woods is leading the series with 7,196 total points. Other notable golfers within striking range to win the cup are Jim Furyk in 3rd place, Phil Mickelson in 14th place and Ernie Els in 12th place.

All top 30 golfers have a chance to win the Cup and are looking to make noise in the final event. The Tour Championship presented by Coca-Cola will be held in Atlanta, Georgia from Sept 24-27.

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Win against rival Stevenson gives Sea Gulls their fifth consecutive shutout

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

The Sea Gull women's soccer team (3-1-2, 1-0 CAC) started its season with lofty goals and last Wednesday, they began to race towards those dreams with a hard fought 0-0 draw against the 22nd ranked Rowan Profs.

"I think the team played pretty well yesterday," said freshman goalkeeper Melissa Orgera. "It was good to see us step up our game after a shaky first half and play even better in the second half and the overtime periods."

The Sea Gulls were a potent side on offense, with sophomore forward Sarah Jessilonis shooting seven times by herself. She was denied a goal in the 80th minute on a save by Prof. goaltender Jillian Brannan. In total, the Gulls had 14 opportunities for the game, and while on most days that would equal 2 or 3 goals, Wednesday was just not the day for Salisbury.

"I think we definitely had opportunities to win the game yesterday, but so did Rowan," said

Orgera, who had also made a critical diving save in the 71st minute against a breakaway by Rowan's Melanie Wittenberger.

The crossbar was not a friend to Salisbury, as senior defender Hillary Grove can attest, hitting it twice.

"I am pleased with a tie, espe-

"I think the team did a really good job of fixing the problems that we were having and picking up the intensity."

Melissa Orgera
SU Goalkeeper

cially considering that Rowan is ranked, although I would have loved to get the win," said Orgera. "I think the team did a really good job of fixing the problems that we were having and picking up the intensity."

On Saturday, the Gulls traveled to face CAC rival Stevenson Uni-

versity (4-2-1, 1-1 CAC) in their Capital Athletic Conference opener where SU claimed their fifth consecutive shutout of the season, beating the Mustangs 1-0.

Sophomore forward Amanda Zyzak, who leads the team in scoring, netted the game-winner halfway into the second half, giving Salisbury a lead they would not relinquish.

The Sea Gulls had an eye for the goal the entire game, firing 28 shots in the contest, 12 of which were on goal. Jessilonis added to her shot total, pulling the trigger six times in the game (three shots-on-goal) while Orgera, who has a .964 save percentage this season, remained strong in between the posts, tallying five saves on the day. Salisbury has only allowed one goal so far this season.

Next the Gulls will travel to Wesley before returning to Salisbury for a three-game home stand where they will face Christopher Newport, Mary Washington and Richard Stockton. The Sea Gulls were 0-2-1 in that stretch on the road last season.



Dan Anderson photo

Sophomore defender Kira Mangone crosses the ball against Rowan. The Sea Gulls tied the Profs 0-0 before defeating Stevenson 1-0.

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Football

The Salisbury football team (1-2) dropped a heartbreaking, three-overtime game to Christopher Newport University on Saturday afternoon 27-21.

5,265 fans were treated to the thriller during CNU's parent weekend. Senior defensive end Paul Cynewski led the Sea Gulls' defense with 15 tackles and one sack as the defense forced CNU to turn the ball over four times on downs. Eight Gulls in total registered at least eight tackles in the game.

In the first overtime Salisbury drove deep into CNU territory, setting up sophomore kicker Tommy Kowalik with a 29-yard attempt to win the game. However, the Captains tipped the kick, sending it short off the crossbar, and sending the game into a second overtime.

In the second overtime period Bryan Woolson scored on a 25-yard touchdown run. But the Captains answered right back with a one-yard touchdown of their own.

In the third overtime, CNU scored on the first possession, forcing Salisbury to match with a touchdown on the next drive to stay in the game. SU's offense faltered and on a fourth-and-two, quarterback Sean Kelly was taken down just short of the first down marker, giving the Captains the victory.

This Saturday, Sept. 26, Salisbury will host St. John Fisher at noon.

Men's Soccer

The No. 11 SU men's soccer team (7-0) defeated Gallaudet on Sept. 16 in crushing fashion, 10-0, earning their first CAC victory of the season.

Fifteen different Sea Gulls registered points in the contest, led by senior midfielder Kyle Sterling, who had two goals on the day.

Seniors Ben Reed, Alex Hargrove, and Nick Malone, juniors Dave Corrigan, Casey Rector, and Chris Finney, sophomores Ian Wilson and Morgan Hunt, and freshmen Pat Callahan and Jimmy Mundy also all netted goals in the game.

On Sunday, the Gulls improved their winning streak to seven games, defeating Roanoke 1-0 on a goal by junior Ben Delisle in the 86th minute of play.

Freshman midfielder Chase Nichols served the ball to Delisle from midfield and Delisle ripped a shot to the back of the net from just outside the box for the game-winning goal.

Delisle, who also has three assists in 2009, now has two goals on the season as well.

This was Salisbury's sixth shutout of the season, outscoring their opponents 37-1 and are now unbeaten in their last 13 regular season games.

This Wednesday, Sept. 23, the Sea Gulls will host No. 25 Johns Hopkins at 4 p.m. at Sea Gull Stadium.

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